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for it in fact, yet I will not be placed in the position of opposing it. The question of the extension of suffrage in this country is a very grave one; I really believe in its limitation, but I do not think that the sex line is the proper line of limitation.

I want freedom to express my real convictions in this department upon all questions relating to women. When it seems necessary that ideas not held by me be expressed in the department, I want liberty to obtain the expression of those ideas from people who honestly hold them, over their own signature. Do you not think this a good idea?

You ask for some points about my life. It is hard for me to say anything about myself; I can only give you the barest outline. I was born in the woods of Wisconsin February 23, 1853, my father being a young vigorous lawyer. He lost the use of his right arm in the War of Rebellion, where he served as Major, Colonel and Brigadier General, and at the age of sixteen I entered his office, remaining with him until his death in 1874. At one time he had held the office of United States Pension Agent in Chicago, and soon after his death President Grant appointed me to that position, knowing that I was fully qualified for its duties by my experience. I remained in that office almost twelve years.

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After a visit to Europe I returned to Chicago and became connected with the Chicago Tribune as Literary Editor, working there two years, and in the fall of 1888 I opened my United States Claims office, my present business. About my public work perhaps you know. It has simply been an attempt to do what I could for the general good, practically all the work I have ever taken up being indeed forced upon me by a pressure which I cannot ignore; that is when I see something that ought to be done, and can get no one else to do it, I feel that I have to do it, imperfectly as may be, and so I have instituted and worked in various public reforms.

I hope I shall hear from you again soon; any way I will have my first number ready for September 7th.

With all good wishes,

Yours faithfully,

*Ada Sweet*